

BEFORE THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF ENFORCEMENT) ACTION AGAINST)) More Cops Now, Ed Troyer, Treasurer)) Respondent.) _____)	PDC CASE NO: 04-423 STIPULATION OF FACTS VIOLATIONS AND PENALTY
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More Cops Now, Ed Troyer, Treasurer, (Respondent) and the Public Disclosure Commission Staff (Staff) jointly submit this Stipulation of Facts, Violations and Penalty for Commission consideration in lieu of a full enforcement hearing before the Commission. The parties agree that, pursuant to RCW 42.17.360, the Commission has the authority to accept, decline, or to suggest modifications to this Stipulation. In the interest of avoiding further proceedings, the parties enter this Stipulation.

Facts

Both parties agree to the following facts:

1. More Cops Now is a political committee that was required to register and report with the Washington State Public Disclosure Commission for its activities during 2003. Ed Troyer is the treasurer for More Cops Now and was responsible for filing its reports during 2003. Ron Klein was listed on the committee's registration statement as the Campaign Manager. However, Mr. Troyer stated that even though Mr. Klein attended meetings of the committee, he did not serve in the capacity of Campaign Manager. During the period September 15, 2003 through the November 4, 2003 general election, More Cops Now accepted contributions totaling \$90,105 and made expenditures totaling \$88,509.

2. More Cops Now filed a committee registration statement on September 15, 2003.
The committee supported Proposition 1, a Pierce County ballot proposition that was on the November 4, 2003 general election ballot.
3. More Cops Now was required to file complete, timely and accurate reports of the contributions it received and expenditures it made in support of Proposition 1.
The campaign activity was required to be reported on PDC forms C-3 and C-4, and on appropriate supporting schedules.
4. More Cops Now failed to timely report receipt of a \$20,000 contribution it received from Washington State Council of County and City Employees on October 11, 2003. The contribution made up 22 percent of the committee's total campaign contributions, and was reported on a C-3 report 15 days late on October 28, 2003, six days before the election.
5. More Cops Now:
 - Failed to report contributions totaling \$1,880 on C-3 reports.
 - Failed to report expenditures totaling \$2,600 on C-4 reports.
 - Failed to timely file a post election C-4 report. The report was filed 166 days late on May 24, 2004.
 - Failed to file accurate reports of contributions and expenditures. The post election C-4 report showed total contributions received of \$80,945 and total expenditures of \$79,817. Actual contributions were \$90,105 and actual expenditures totaled \$88,509. The inaccurate reporting included failing to report \$1,880 in contributions and \$2,600 in expenditures. The remainder of

the discrepancies were attributable to math errors and failing to properly carry forward totals to summary reports.

6. More Cops Now failed to properly disclose an address and time for public inspection of campaign records eight days before the general election.
7. More Cops Now failed to meet its statutory obligation to file its reports of contributions and expenditures electronically.

Violations

Respondent and Staff agree that based upon the facts stipulated above, the Respondent committed multiple violations of RCW 42.17 by violating RCW 42.17.040, 42.17.080 and 42.17.090 by: (1) failing to file complete, timely and accurate reports of contributions and expenditures; (2) failing to properly disclose an address and time for public inspection of campaign records eight days before the general election; and (3) failing to electronically file reports of contributions and expenditures during its 2003 campaign.

Penalty

Respondent and Staff agree that based upon the facts and the violations of RCW 42.17 detailed above, the Respondent accepts an assessed total civil penalty of three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00). One thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) will be suspended for two years from the date of entry of the Commission's Final Order in this matter, provided neither More Cops Now nor any public safety ballot committee of which Mr. Troyer is an officer is found in violation of any section of RCW 42.17.

The Respondent agrees to fully comply in good faith with all provisions of Chapter 42.17 RCW in the future.

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Respectfully submitted this 26th day of October, 2004.

Vicki Rippie, Executive Director

Date

Ed Troyer, Treasurer
More Cops Now

Date

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